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Marginal Column

By "COMMENTATOR".

ON March 29, 1951 Julius and Ethel Rosenberg were convicted of espionage in New York and sentenced to death. All their appeals have been denied and only Presidential intervention can now stay the execution. They have had a trial and have been found guilty of high treason. There are, however, a number of reasons which have moved many people, though they have no doubt about the Rosenbergs' guilt, to press for a commutation of the sentence. Whatever the secrets transmitted by the Rosenbergs, they were extremely small cogs in a big wheel. Eminent physicists like May and Fuchs, on the other hand, who knew very well what they were doing, have come away with much milder sentences. The former is to be released from prison by the end of this year. To execute the smaller fry and free the higher-ups after comparatively short prison sentences, is not the ordinary man's idea of impartial justice. Nor should it be forgotten that while the charge, technically, is high treason, espionage was committed at a time when the U.S. and Russia were allies in the war. It is not the fault of the Rosenbergs that the situation has changed radically since then; and it would be the first time in American history that citizens are to be executed for transmitting state secrets — not to an enemy — but to an ally.

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THE Communists first ignored the Rosenberg trial; their conviction was given exactly seven lines in the "Daily Worker." They preserved absolute silence for half a year, but then the party took a decision and the storm broke: American Fascism! A new Dreyfus trial! Another Auschwitz! If the Rosenbergs are killed, all Jews will be killed! Witch hunt! A ghastly frame-up against peace fighters!

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ON a signal, a mass drive was organized and all the party followers from Howard Fast down to Moshe Sneh went into action. It cannot be denied that this campaign has several advantages from the party point of view. The party is, of course, not interested in the living Rosenbergs, who are, after all, potential witnesses against it. And two dead martyrs would be much more useful. By launching this campaign the American Communists are acting towards the Rosenbergs as King David did when he gave Uria the letter. By trying to spread the theory of the "anti-Semitic lynching of two innocent Jews" they try to establish guilt by false association. As one writer put it: Because a spy or a Communist is a Jew — all Jews are collectively involved. This propaganda serves a double purpose: the Jews who have been somewhat deficient in their zeal on behalf of the party, are told that they have to enlist in defence of the Atomic spies, because their interests are identical. Non-Jewish Americans are thus asked to believe that all Jews identify themselves with the Rosenbergs. The Jews are isolated, the party exploits the tension, and anti-Semitism takes a fresh leap.

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THE case of the Rosenbergs is tragic enough. This of course does not go for the party hacks who are helping to fasten the noose, around their necks. For their small children about to become orphans it will be cold comfort to be told that their parents had been staunch fighters in the struggle against fascism and reaction, and fell victims in that fight. The saddest aspect of the affair is perhaps the fact that the Rosenbergs really believed they were acting in the interests of peace and progress, and for the victory of democracy and socialism in the entire world.

Jerusalem, November 2.

Yugoslav Communists' Sixth Congress

BELGRADE, Saturday. — Yugoslavia has published details of her 1953 economic plan fixing the gross national income at 12,304m., the Tanjug news agency reports. Nearly one-eighth of this amount will be poured back into the national economy. The details were released as almost two thousand delegates, representing the 780,000 members of the Yugoslav Communist Party were assembling at Zagreb today for the Party's sixth annual Congress which opens there tomorrow.

Congress is to map out the party's programme for the next four years.

The fifth Congress, held in Belgrade in 1948, unanimously condemned political and economic pressure initiated by Russia and associated states shortly before the Cominform resolution outlawing the Yugoslav Communists. (Reuter, U.P.)

AFTER MIDNIGHT

A Yugoslav then will construct Spain's first deep harbour at Lekkio, on the north Syrian coast under an agreement signed last night, AP reports from Damascus.

Histadrut Council Closes with Call To Understanding

By Sruya Shapiro,
POST Correspondent

TEL AVIV, Saturday.—The Histadrut Council closed yesterday on a note of appeasement by Acting President Yosef Sprinzak, who called on all parties to "seek the Blue Bird of mutual understanding."

Earlier, the Council adopted a resolution imposing strict discipline within the Federation. While the right to propagandise within the Histadrut was fully conceded, the decisions of Histadrut-elected bodies must be complied with to the letter, the resolution said.

Local labour councils were authorized to bring before the Histadrut Court of Honour those accused of insubordination or of instigation to disobedience, particularly in staging unauthorized strikes, and to suspend any official pending the verdict.

The discipline procedure was the crucial issue in the deliberations of the Council, and the resolution was opposed by Mapam, who feared the measure would be mainly directed against them. Mapam delegates did not take part in the vote. A speaker of the Hanoved Hatzioni (Progressive) faction also feared the dominant party might get too much power through the resolution.

Arab Workers Admitted

The Council unanimously resolved to admit the Arab workers into the Trades Union Department. The Arab workers will also benefit from the Sick Fund services, as well as from membership in general Histadrut funds for work insurance and old age insurance. The Arab workers will also be admitted to the General Labour Exchange.

The principle of cost-of-living allowances pegged to the cost-of-living index was maintained by the Council, which stipulated that increases in basic pay should be granted only for increased output. Mapam opposed this.

A resolution to appeal to the U.S.S.R. and the Peoples' Democracies to let Jews emigrate to Israel was opposed by Mapam, whose spokesman, Mr. E. Peri, said it was "unpatriotic" to adopt declarations for the sake of demonstration only, which could only hinder the cause. The necessity of immigration from Russia could only be explained in the imperative humanitarian grounds.

Mapam did not take part in the vote. A Communist speaker said she was astonished that Mapam was regretting the principle of immigration at all. Another resolution sent greetings to the Zionist leaders imprisoned in Rumania.

Hevrat Ovdim Reorganization

The Council voted to reorganize the management of Hevrat Ovdim, the holding company of all Histadrut-sponsored enterprises. It will be headed by a board of managers, half of whom will be nominated by the commercial companies, and the rest by the Histadrut Executive, the Histadrut Central Committee, and the managing Hevrat Ovdim. The Hevrat Ovdim Board will remain responsible to the Central Committee. The controversial issue of direct or proportional representation in elected bodies was solved by a compromise proposed by M. Namir, Secretary-General of the Histadrut.

Voting will be along party lines, but the steps will be as small as possible, in order to secure a workable committee whose political views will not supersede immediate tasks.

In Histadrut circles, it is felt that the Council showed that the Histadrut was further from a split than ever in the past four years. Mapam spokesmen were more pacific than expected. The distribution of cultural harmony in the Federation are not settled, but at least a split is not expected. If Mapam will organize large-scale unauthorized strikes, the Mapai majority may result by barring Mapam representatives from taking part in the administration of the Histadrut.

Namir Discloses Oren Mission to Belgrade

TEL AVIV, Saturday.—Mr. Mordechai Oren, the Mapam leader now imprisoned in Czechoslovakia, was sent by his Party to Yugoslavia in 1947 to influence the Belgrade Government to vote in the U.N. against the establishment of the Jewish State, Mr. Namir, Secretary-General of the Histadrut, revealed in winding up the debate in the Histadrut Council yesterday.

He also said it was very difficult to divide the Workers' Committee in Iraq. It was organized differently from labour organizations abroad. Mr. Y. Rezin, of Mapam, was wrong when he had declared that the majority in the Histadrut could not manage without the Mapam minority, Mr. Namir said. "Another member of Mapam told me that he came thinking about joining the Government coalition; he was wrong."

Jordan Opposition In House Scores Victory

POST Correspondent

The Palestine Arab opposition bloc in the Jordan Parliament scored its first victory as the House reconvened following its Autumn recess yesterday morning, when Hikmet el Masri, Nablus M.P. was elected President, the first time that a Palestine Arab has been elected to the post. Palestine Arab Kamel Arsikat, former commander of the Mufti's semi-military "Futuwah" youth group was elected Deputy-Speaker.

The Government-supported candidates for the post failed, but Wasfi Misra, of Amman, was elected second Deputy-Speaker. The session, the first to be held since the abdication of King Talal, heard the Regency Council's address read from the throne by Premier Tewfik Abu'l Huda.

The address mentioned the improved relations between the Arab countries based on "thorough and real understanding" and pledged Jordan's intention to honour its obligations towards the Western powers. The members of the House also heard the traditional references to Arab refugees and an assurance that Jordan would do all in its power to protect their rights.

The opening session of both Houses was attended by the Cabinet and members of the foreign and Arab diplomatic corps.

The Cabinet will deliver its policy statement on Tuesday after which Abu'l Huda will seek a confidence vote. It is one of the few Arab governments which will face a House where it does not enjoy a majority or the support of the leading party.

Hussein In Crash

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter). — King Hussein of Jordan escaped unhurt when the car in which he was driving skidded and crashed into a hoarding in the West London district of Knightsbridge today.

German Firms Shut In Saudi Arabia

King Ibn Saud implemented the Arabs' commercial boycott of Germany yesterday when he ordered all German firms to close down their businesses and leave Saudi Arabia, ANA reported. It did not say how many firms were involved.

The Syrian Government has proposed the candidacy of Salah e-Din Barmada for the post of senior officer in charge of the Arab League's Israel boycott offices. Barmada, a former Minister, has been for some time head of the Syrian boycott office. He is to replace Col. Wahid Shawky, who has been pensioned off by General Nagib.

Four of the seven Arab League member states have already agreed to a meeting in Cairo next week to discuss an all-out boycott of German goods.

NAGIB GIVES NOTE

CAIRO, Saturday (UP). — Premier General Mohammed Nagib told the press here on Thursday night that he handed West German Ambassador Gunther Pawelke a note protesting the German reparations agreement with Israel.

MINISTER TO BELGIUM PRESENTS CREDENTIALS

BRUSSELS, Saturday (Reuter) — Mr. Yosef Ariel, newly-appointed Israel Minister to Belgium and Luxembourg, drove in state yesterday to the Royal Palace here where he presented his credentials to Baudouin, King of the Belgians.

'Free Sudan Would Join MEDO and Arab League'

CAIRO, Saturday. — The Sudanese independence leader Abdel Rahman el Mahdi, indicated yesterday that an autonomous, sovereign Sudan would be disposed towards participation with the West in the Middle East Defence Organization.

Shortly before leaving for Khartoum after the conclusion of the treaty with Egypt, the Sudanese leader said that his country, when free, would seek Arab League membership and would encourage foreign investments. He expressed the hope that the U.S. would extend aid to help the development of Sudan's resources.

"In the event of the Sudan ultimately accepting an independent sovereign status, we shall coordinate our relations with Egypt. We have many common interests, such as the Nile waters, economic conditions and cultural life. It is certain that an independent Sudan would be a true brother to an independent Egypt," el Mahdi said.

The text of the agreement reached here on home rule for the Anglo-Egyptian Condominium of the Sudan was released today. It provides, *inter alia*, for the setting up of four committees to run the country during the three-year period leading to self-determination. This transition period is to start not later than the end of this year.

Three features which it would be hard for Britain to accept are said to be:

1) The power given to an advisory committee of five to override the Governor-General in the transitional period unless Britain and Egypt agree that this shall not be so.
2) The loss of the Governor-General's special responsibility for Southern Sudan; and
3) The difficulty of holding elections (Governorate Assembly elections) by December 31.

In London, Foreign Office officials were preparing definite proposals on the Egyptian amendments to the Sudanese draft constitution prepared there.

Hopes of a tri-partite agreement continued to rise here today following indications from Egyptian quarters that the terms of the Cairo agreement might be susceptible to amendment.

It is learned in Cairo that following talks between General Nagib and Sudanese leaders, the four groups favouring union with Egypt are to unite.

Egypt Fascist Leader To Face Army Trial

Ahmed Hussein, the fascist leader of the "Socialist Party" of Egypt, has been released from detention, by the Supreme Military Court, NEARE reports.

He had been sentenced to an 18-months term for inciting the Cairo riots on "Black Saturday" last January. He declared a hunger strike in prison and had, since then, been undergoing treatment in a government hospital.

He is to be re-tried by a military court on November 10.

Colonel Adib Shishakly, the Syrian head of state, has accepted an invitation to visit General Nagib this month, it was announced in Cairo and Damascus.

WOMEN'S PARTY

CAIRO, Saturday (Reuter). — The Egyptian Women's movement, "Bint e-Nil" (Daughters of the Nile) has been accepted by the government as a political party.

Its leader, Doria Shafik, said "Although we are recognized as a political party this does not mean that the government recognizes our claim for equal rights, politically and otherwise, between man and woman."

It is the first time in the Arab world that a recognized political party has been led by a woman.

Opinion Hardens On Refugees At Assembly

POST Political Correspondent

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The adoption of the four-power resolution on Arab refugees by the U.N. Ad Hoc Committee by a vote of 50 to 0 with seven abstentions revealed a number of significant developments, Hakirya quarters consider.

The Committee failed to respond emotionally, as they had done last year, to the Arab demand to make reparations the major issue. On the contrary, a number of delegations including those of Australia, New Zealand, the Netherlands, and Canada said either directly or implicitly that the integration of Arab refugees in Arab countries was the only real solution. They also demanded that Mr. Blandford be allowed to continue his work of resettlement without political interference.

Several delegations indicated that they would seriously reconsider their contributions to the refugee fund, despite their humanitarian feeling toward refugees, if the obstructions by the Arab states continued and no programme for reintegration was produced.

Arab tactics were subtly, at times directly, trying to discredit Mr. Blandford's efforts. They spoke of the exaggerated number of UNRWA high-salaried employees, requesting that they should be replaced by refugees. Mr. Jamali's exchange of words with Mr. Arthur Lourie aroused the delegates' indignation, in some cases revulsion, and did not add to Mr. Jamali's prestige.

Mr. Eban's speech, owing to its moderation and restraint in tone, though forceful in content, made the deepest impression on many delegates, who expressed their appreciation of his approach to the problem.

Eshed Fares Up By 25 Per Cent Today

A 25 per cent fare increase takes effect today on all Eshed buses.

The increase follows an agreement reached by the Ministry of Communications and Eshed, and was based on reports forwarded to the Ministry by Bevrat Ovdim (Histadrut holding company) and on the monthly reports of Eshed.

The Ministry also decided on a four-point plan in connection with Eshed operations:

1) To appoint a committee to examine Eshed's proposal for a rectification of internal management, the committee to base its calculations on the Eshed reports. The Committee, which must report within one month, can reduce or increase fares.
2) Eshed must implement improvements and the timetable fixed by the Committee of Road Transport.
3) Effective yesterday, Eshed will pay wages to its members and to its hired employees in accordance with Histadrut proposals.
4) Changes in fare will be discussed once every three months.

Arab Legion Opens Fire On Jerusalem Resident

Arab Legionnaires opened fire at 11 o'clock yesterday morning on Ya'acov Gilar who was fixing the roof of his home near the former Barclays Bank in Jerusalem. No one was hurt.

Yosef Shamash, 48, was wounded by infiltrators in the Jerusalem area yesterday morning.

Hearing a noise in his kitchen which is detached from his home, he opened a door and saw a man escaping with household utensils. An accomplice shot Shamash through the thigh from cover. He was taken to Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem. Tracks of two men were found leading to the border.

Nominees in Opposite Directions For Last Speeches in U.S. Campaign

NEW YORK, Saturday. — Governor Adlai Stevenson, Democratic candidate for President, left here tonight for Chicago, while his Republican opponent left Chicago for New York.

Mr. Stevenson will campaign through Ohio, Indiana, and Illinois on his way to the nation's second largest metropolis where he will make his last major appearance before the election on Tuesday.

In his main speech in Chicago last night Mr. Eisenhower complained of slanderous attacks made by the Democrats, and then went on to refer to Mr. Stevenson and President Truman as "my Siamese twin opponents." He recalled that leading Democrats had asked him to run for President four years ago as a Democrat.

Mr. Stevenson ended a hectic day with a television broadcast in which he denounced the Republicans as favouring a "do-nothing, know-nothing" government at home, and as opposing economic and military support to other free peoples.

President Truman, who on Friday said he now sure that the Democrats will win, headed through Indiana and Illinois to St. Louis for his climactic speech of the campaign.

In Washington, it was reported that the list of eligible voters may totalled 71,570,726.

Also in the nation's capital, the making of a record were hammered into the campaign by a Democratic Congressman, Mr. Cecil King, of California, who charged that Mr. Eisenhower and Senator Knowland, Republican Floor Leader, had "sold out" to the oil companies with "shady contracts negotiated in connection with a public land bill." Mr. Eisenhower said he was not familiar with the charges, but added that he would "look into them."

(Reuter, U.P.)

(Situation Forecast — P. 6)

Nehru Says World War Impossible

RANGUN, INDIA, Saturday (UP).—The Indian Prime Minister, Pandit Nehru, said last night that a third world war was "virtually impossible," but he admitted that there was fear among the nations of the possibility in view of the present situation in Korea.

He told his audience of 100,000 that talk of war between India and Pakistan over the treatment of the Hindu minority in Pakistan was "possible." He said, however, that he was not sure what would happen from day to day in India's relations with her neighbours. "We have to be prepared day to day," he said.

The Premier said he was "not glad" to see British troops of defence in Kenya.

South Korean Attack Stopped at Crest

SEOUL, Saturday (Reuter).—Chinese troops on Triangle Hill halted a South Korean counter-attack within a stone's throw of the crest today — 19th day of a battle for the key position in the U.N. three kilometre "bulge" in the Communist lines.

American planes backed the counter-attack launched after the U.N. troops lost ground on the slopes earlier in face of Chinese company strength attacks.

Chinese captured the crest two nights ago. Fighting also continued on two other positions on the "bulge" perimeter — the Jane Russell peaks and Snipers' Ridge.

The legislation committee of South Korean House of Representatives today ratified a constitutional bill providing for by-elections to fill seats left vacant by members missing in the war.

A government source said the vote sought to prevent the strengthening of President Syngman Rhee's opponents in the House.

Five P.o.W.'s Killed In New Incidents

TOKYO, Saturday (Reuter). — The U.N. prisoner of war command said yesterday that guards killed one prisoner and injured 178 in new incidents at two South Korean camps last Tuesday. The prisoner killed was shot by an American guard at the Cheju island camp when he attacked an unarmed work supervisor with a shovel.

South Korean guards killed four prisoners and wounded six during a mass break attempt from Koje-do camp, on Thursday night. About 40 prisoners under death sentence led the break and police said guards opened fire when an attempt was made to break into the armoury. The guards suffered no casualties.

Nationalists Ask U.N. for Safeguards

UNITED NATIONS, Saturday. — Nationalist China today warned the U.N. that any Korean peace settlement with the Communists must contain safeguards against future aggression.

Foreign Minister George Yeh said that his country was "dubious concerning the results of the Korean truce talks. His Government, he said, had been dealing with the Chinese Communists for 30 years and had come to understand their "stalling tactics." Mr. Yeh supported the U.N. stand on the question of repatriation of prisoners-of-war in Korea.

Mr. Clifton Webb, Foreign Minister of New Zealand, expressed full support for the U.N. demand for the voluntary repatriation of P.o.W's and called on the Russians to state clearly whether they take the position that all prisoners must be repatriated "if necessary by force".

Swedish Support

The Swedish delegate, Mr. Richard Sandler, declared his country's support for the 21 nation resolution endorsing the unified command's conduct of the Korean war and truce talks.

Referring to political conditions inside South Korea, as shown in a recent report of the U.N. Korean Commission, he said: "The Swedish delegation cannot help stating that the undemocratic methods which the report has revealed have a repelling effect on public opinion in all democratic countries."

Stanislaw Skrzeszewski (Poland) told the Committee that the decision to exclude North Koreans from the debate was "unwarranted and unjustified." In Korea, he said, the American army was following the "Fascist pattern of total war."

Radio Stockholm

Radio Stockholm today said that the spokesman said was the first protest in the U.N. against continued French and Portuguese occupation of India, Goa, Daman, Diu.

The U.N. Charter, Mr. Sandler said in the U.N. Trusteeship Council, the final five years of plans to end the French and of the Portuguese and the Portuguese South Goa had been discussed, he said. The two countries had become a part of Portugal and India was now being forced to surrender as a result. Such pressure in India was unacceptable for democratic countries, he added.

The U.N. Special Committee decided this week not to consider a Soviet complaint on the occupation of the Goa Territory.

(Reuter, U.P.)

British Troops Sent Into Action in Kenya

NAIROBI, Saturday. — British troops went into action today for the first time in Kenya, raiding a small village six miles north of Nyer. Troops arrested 31 Kikuyus, including many known members of the Mau Mau society, which is dedicated to driving the white man from this British colony. Police raided other parts of the Kikuyu reserves, making arrests.

The Colonial Secretary, Mr. Oliver Lyttleton, here on an inspection mission, toured some of the trouble spots. Mr. Lyttleton visited the Thika and Fort-hall districts of the Kikuyu tribes reserve, where Mau Mau demonstrations have been most persistent in recent weeks. He also discussed the effect of the Mau Mau on Church attendance with two Catholic Bishops.

Two Africans confessed before the Magistrate today that they took part in the slaying of R.J.N. Bowyer, a British farmer, and two of his native servants at North Kinangop, 80 miles from here last Monday. Mr. Bowyer was hacked to death in his bath.

Signs of Success

Government officials said today that there were some signs of success in the military drive to root out terrorists who have already killed 80 Europeans and loyal Africans. Reviewing the operation, officials said that the first phase was completed satisfactorily in a few days after the arrest of over 800 Kikuyu tribesmen who are considered mainly responsible for the unrest and who have been using the Mau Mau society for subversive ends.

The second phase was started last Monday in the re-grouping of police and military forces, and deploying them in the principal disturbed areas, designed to root out Mau Mau by vigorous patrolling.

While it is too early to assess accurately the success of the second phase, the review said that there is evidence of a proper respect for law and order and increased confidence is present in many reserves.

(Reuter, U.P.)

French Offensive Reaches Red River

SAIGON, Saturday (Reuter).—French Union forces, thrusting into Vietminh territory to cut key supply lines, today reached the Red River bank, eight kilometres south of the rebel rear base of Phu Tho.

Army reports here tonight said French troops, comprising several battalions, yesterday cut a road linking Phu Tho, about 80 kilometres northwest of Hanoi, with Thanh Son, about 25 kilometres further south.

French forces crossed the Black River northwestwards towards Phu Tho and the Red River last Wednesday, first day of their current offensive.

A spokesman said no quick, spectacular results are expected in current operations, because bad weather is restricting air support. The French forces are supported by artillery, aircraft and river craft along the Red River.

The Red and Black rivers are strategic routes across the principal rice-growing region for transport of men and supplies in a country where poor roads are often impassable in rainy seasons. Flowing together below Unghoa, in French Union hands according to latest reports, the rivers continue into Haroi, capital of the Tonking delta.

Bolivia Nationalizes Tin, Mines Seized

LA PAZ, Saturday (UP). — Troops yesterday seized Bolivia's nationalized tin mines, including the vast American-controlled Patino interests. President Victor Paz Estenzoro warned the U.S. not to interfere.

Speaking here last night, he said it would be an "error" for the U.S. to "assume an attitude which might be interpreted as protection" for the Patino, Aramayo and Hochschild firms whose mines were taken over. He promised to remedy the country's "near economic bankruptcy" and blamed the nation's financial plight on the mining firms "who have sponsored oppressive and wasteful" governments.

Nationalisation of the tin mines was the first declared aim of the government. President Estenzoro who heads the government which seized power last April, and his ministers, attended the signing of the decree yesterday.

Bolivia produces about one-fifth of the world's supply of tin.

More Bombs Thrown In Tunisia

SOUSSE, Tunisia, Saturday (UP). A bomb exploded today in the French military social centre here a few minutes after another bomb had ripped apart a French motorcar nearby.

There were no victims in either incident and damage at the centre was not great. Police are seeking Arab nationalists, believed responsible.

In Oran, Algeria, a local teacher, Zerouki Cheikh, was sentenced today to four years imprisonment and fined 1714 for having taught his pupils anti-French and "revolutionary" songs and poems.

Other teachers in the same school were fined 2.35 as a warning.

Middleton Refuses to Accept Iran Note to U.K. Public

LONDON, Saturday (Reuter).—The British Foreign Office today declined to say whether its Charge d'Affaires in Teheran, Mr. George Middleton, had acted on Government instructions when he refused to accept a message to the British people from Premier Dr. Mohammed Mossadegh.

It was pointed out that Mr. Middleton was correct in refusing to accept a message addressed even indirectly to the British people. Messages from governments to governments are conveyed by diplomatic channels and it was pointed out that Mr. Middleton would be correct in refusing to accept a message addressed, even indirectly, to the British people. Diplomatic procedure enables a head of a mission to refuse such a communication if he regards it as transgressing customary principles, even though he may have read the message, said.

The last batch of the British Embassy staff — 27 men and seven women — left Teheran today by road for Baghdad. Among them were the Charge d'Affaires, Mr. George Middleton, and his wife.

They were accompanied to the Persian-Iraq border by a Foreign Ministry official and the Swiss Minister to Persia.

An armed escort of two truck-loads of police was provided by the government.

Earlier, U.S. Ambassador, Mr. Loy Henderson took leave of Mr. Middleton at the Embassy.

Dr. Mossadegh's message, repeated yesterday in Persian — that Iran was ready to break diplomatic relations with that country after it became apparent that the British Government was not ready to recognize "illegal seizure" of the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company against him.

EIGHTEEN DIE IN AGED HOME FIRE

HILLSBORO, Missouri, Saturday (Reuter). — Fire raged through a Home for Aged here last night killing 18 persons and injuring at least 20 others.

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East Germans Ask West for Talks

BERLIN, Saturday (Reuter). — East Germany has asked West Germany to name a day for the start of unity negotiations, it was officially announced in East Berlin today.

The request was sent yesterday by Johannes Dieckmann, President of the East German Volkskammer (People's Chamber) to President Hermann Ehlers of the West German Bundestag.

A five-man East German delegation on September 19 put forward four proposals by which Germans themselves could speed up the eventual re-unification of their country.

Anthracite Miners In U.S. to Get Raise

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — John L. Lewis, the American Mineworkers' leader, signed a new contract with anthracite mine owners raising miners' pay by $1.50 a day from November 16.

This contract is subject to approval by the Federal Wage Stabilization Board which recently reduced by 40 cents a similar pay rise agreement in the soft-coal industry. The soft-coal miners struck in protest then resumed work early this week after President Truman appointed a review of the Board's decision.

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The Foreign Minister, the Haifa District representative, the Mayor, members of the Consular Corps, and prominent citizens attended the reception of the Queen of the Netherlands, Mr. Carstens, yesterday for Mr. Z. Argaman, who is relinquishing his post as Counsellor of the Israel Legation in Moscow.

The ceremonial opening of the Hebrew University's new academic year has been postponed until further notice. Immediately after the end of the twelve-day strike of the students, the University Administration will announce the date on which studies will begin.

Mr. H. Bernstein, an American meteorological expert, has arrived in Israel under the auspices of the U.N. Technical Assistance Administration to advise in his field. Mr. Bernstein will stay about six months.

Mr. Itzhak Shenhav (Shenberg) is to speak on "From Bohemia to Resistencia" at 8.30 o'clock tomorrow evening at the Israel Touring Club in Talbieh, Jerusalem. Members and their guests only.

Life is reflected in Family Announcements; people read them and they are the best and simplest way of informing your relatives and friends of any important family event.

BIRTH

STOCKWELL—To Eva, nee Bloch, wife of Mr. F. J. Stockwell of 43 Aberdare Gardens, London N.W.6, on October 28—a daughter, Annabel.

ENGAGEMENT

JULIUSBURGER—[illegible] The engagement is announced in Haifa between Jehuda [illegible]burger and Tmara, Bolarsh of Johannesburg.

Dr. Fuks Back After Studying Abroad

Dr. Alexander Fuks, of the Classics Department of the Hebrew University, has returned to Israel after nearly two years of post-graduate study and research at the University of Oxford.

Dr. Fuk's book, "The Ancestral Constitution: Four Studies in Athenian Party Politics at the end of the Fifth Century B.C.," is now being published in England. During his stay in Britain, Dr. Fuks published articles in journals devoted to the classics and papyrology appearing at Oxford, Amsterdam, Upsala, Milan and Warsaw.

While abroad, Dr. Fuks devoted some of his time to the "Corpus Papyrorum Judaicarum," the first volume of which is now being printed in England. The "Corpus" is a highly important collection of documents on which Professor A. Tcherikover, Professor of Greek and Roman History at the Hebrew University, has worked for many years with the collaboration of Dr. Fuks.

JORDAN AUCTIONS LAND OF JERUSALEM MAN

The Jordan Custodian of Enemy Property has placed on auction a plot of land belonging to Mr. Moshe Valero, of Jerusalem. It is located in front of Damascus Gate, "A-Diffa," the Old City daily, reported yesterday.

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Time Has Come to Decide On Public Planning vs. Private Initiative

By Our Economic Correspondent

The long drawn-out discussion about the respective domains of public planning and private initiative has reached the moment of decision. It has become evident that we have been living beyond our means—and that imported modern machinery and modern factories will not do the job of feeding us if we are not able to break inward bottlenecks — electric current, raw materials — and if we do not provide the skill necessary for modern production.

The publication of our foreign currency income and expenditure has fixed public attention on the financial position and shown that we cannot hope to balance our budget without cutting expenditure and attracting private capital at once and the same time. While there is general agreement about the goals to be reached, there is still much confusion as to the means. This is not due only to political differences. There is a genuine difficulty which is rooted in the economic structure and in the financing of vital needs from outside sources.

Planning of some sort was needed as a result of the great influx of money which went through the Treasury, of the unique position of the Histadrut economic institutions which grew up under this system and because development projects were launched by public authorities on a large-scale. A budget of hundreds of millions of dollars which — at least in large part — is devoted to the expansion of agriculture and industry calls for some kind of blueprinting. The need to attract capital and the necessity of giving encouragement and scope to private investments demands, however, the confinement of government influence to a minimum. It is admittedly not easy to combine public planning and private initiative but we are presently on the way to achieving the worst possible combination: maximum Government control and a minimum of overall planning. A method must be found for planning development work, executed by public authorities while at the same time freeing private initiative from unnecessary and crippling fetters.

German Planning Lacking

Both enthusiastic planners and enthusiastic liberals tend to think this impossible. They believe that partial planning is as impossible as partial pregnancy. If you begin to plan, they say, you have to plan all along the line; otherwise plans must go awry. This would mean, however, that total planning — the only planning these authorities accept — can be done only in a totalitarian regime. It has been shown, however, that in a free economy, too, planned schemes on a vast scale can be carried out by public or semi-public authorities. The difficulty in Israel during the last few years has been a lack of genuine planning rather than too much of it. The various planning agencies lacked inter-agency coordination and some of them were even unable to say exactly what they were aiming at. The first four year plan, for instance, was laid down without a knowledge of how many immigrants would come in and how much outside money we should have. The industrialization plans were made without sufficient regard for the currency position and the supply of raw materials.

Our present position—precarious enough as regards financial prospects — is more conducive to planning than a couple of years ago. We seem to have reached, for the present, the end of mass immigration. We know from experience how much to expect from abroad. Once we put our industry on its own as far as foreign currency is concerned — that is, ease control and leave the plants to find their own raw materials — the field for public planning becomes better defined.

Reparations Force Planning

Perhaps it could be combined to what can be described as the "creation of conditions for development." In this case the Government would try to prepare the ground for the private investor by carrying out schemes which in the nature of things, do not attract private capital, but pave the way for increased production. Cheap water and power would fall under this head, but not new plants.

If the German reparations are not swallowed by current expenditure — and this danger is very real — they will force us to this sort of long-range planning. It is impossible to order goods for hundreds of millions of dollars without a well-thought-out plan. It is erroneous to assume that the list of goods attached to the Bonn agreement indicates the outlines of an investment plan. They are nothing but a general frame within which orders can be placed. If ordering is not to be haphazard, a working plan must be detailed. Otherwise we might start a certain scheme — say the building of a new power station — only to realise after a year or two that the money needed for its completion has to be diverted to current needs.

The foreign currency position, awareness of the economic blizzard and the beginning of German reparations payments present us both with the necessity and opportunity of a thorough revision. Reforms must aim at removing obstacles for the private enterpreneur and concentrating public planning on basic development.

REVIEW OF OPINION IN FRIDAY'S PRESS:

'Stevenson Neither Greater, Nor Lesser Evil'—Al Hamishmar

Much attention has been given to the American election campaign during the last few days in the local press. "Al Hamishmar" (Mapam) said, quoting the U.S. "Progressive" party candidate for president, that "Stevenson was not the greater nor the lesser evil." "Haboker" (General Zionist) comments editorially on that issue and criticises the open "identification" of the Zionist left-wing with Stevenson. This shows that the "class angle" is more decisive for the left-wingers than national considerations, and it is a display of gross lack of tact. In case the result of the election should be different than what they expect, they will have to leave prominent positions in the Zionist movement.

Loans to Eisenhower

"Ha'aretz" (Independent) has had a special correspondent covering the election campaign during the last few weeks. The regular American correspondent of that paper, who shows a distinct predilection for Eisenhower now, reports that Governor Stevenson told garment workers in New York jokes in Yiddish, a news item which provided "Dvar" (writing in the same paper) with a subject for his daily paragraph.

"Hatzofe" (Hapoel Hamizrahi) comments on last week's "revolt" in the Mo'ezet and says that although the complaints were different from place to place, they seem to have had a common source: too many of the immigrants have not been working, and political education has been given to them only on the eve of the elections. Thus, the ma'barot have become fertile ground for the incitement of political demagogues.

"Ha'aretz" devotes all its editorial columns with the Histadrut conference while "Davar" (Histadrut) says that the problem of heirless Jewish property in France may be solved soon. The central Jewish institutions in Paris to investigate all relevant transactions during the Vichy period. However, says the paper, the same issue is still outstanding in the "People's democracies" where Jewish property has passed into "Aryan" hands and has not been reinstated. Nor should it be forgotten that Eastern Germany has not yet paid reparations. All these questions should find a speedy solution.

T.A. Museum Plans Large Art Show

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — The 20th anniversary of the Tel Aviv Museum is to be marked by the opening tomorrow of a large scale exhibit of 'Art in Israel' sponsored by the Museum and the Association of Israel Artists and Sculptors.

Dr. A. Kolb, Curator of the Museum told the press here recently that some 200 artists will be represented and that the exhibition will be on view for six weeks. The Museum was lending its premises and technical aid; the selection of works and the arrangement were in the hands of the Artists' Association. The show, he said, is comprehensive, all art practitioners being free to submit works. The jury, members of the Association, was very careful in its choice and only about one-third of the 1,500 or so entries were accepted.

Dr. Kolb stated there would be a memorial exhibition of paintings by Menahem Schmidt and the collection of modern "Biennale" would shortly be shown here. There would also be two exhibitions of works planned by Israelis abroad: contemporary French paintings from the collection of Mrs. Ayala Sachs, and Far Eastern works of art from the collection of Mr. Yehiel Nahari. The coming season's programme also includes the showing of a series of films on art presented by Brigadier General David Sarnoff, president of R.C.A.

The Administrator, Mr. Kanayuk, speaking of the forthcoming chamber music concerts which have been a feature of Tel Aviv concert life for nearly 17 years, said he was planning to include gramophone recitals, accompanied by lectures, of a number of works which could not get live performance here. He stressed the fact that the Museum had to find most of its budget itself; only 10 per cent was covered by the Tel Aviv Municipality.

Jockey Earns $250,000

By OSCAR FRALEY, U.P. Sports Writer

NEW YORK, (UP). — Little Eddie Arcaro will far and away be the greatest money winner in sports this year, a survey disclosed, with earnings in the exclusive neighbourhood of $250,000.

When it comes to writing figures in the cheque book, the tiny man who is regarded by many as the greatest jockey in turf history is in a sports class by himself. Closest to him will be Jersey Joe Walcott, banking about $75,000 in his personal account.

The financial leaders in other sports (all salaries estimated) are: Baseball — Stan Musial, $69,000; Golf — Julius Boros, $62,000; Basketball — Goose Tatum, $28,000; Hockey — Maurice Richard, $24,000; Pro football—Otto Graham and Bob Waterfield, $20,000.

Arcaro has had a sensational, record-smashing year in the saddle. He has been the first jockey whose mounts earned more than $2,000,000 in one year — and he gets a minimum of 10 per cent of those earnings. All told, in a 31-year career, Arcaro's mounts have won more than $14,000,000, which means he's shooting at his second personal million.

Walcott Turkey

Walcott, with the major end of the purse in two title fights, actually surpassed Arcaro's earnings with about $300,000. But while fighters supposedly get two-thirds of their purse, most of the big earners split down the middle with their managers. There have been inferences that Jersey Joe was out up more ways than a small Thanksgiving turkey, too, so that the $75,000 share for himself is regarded as quite liberal.

Musial, batting star of the St. Louis Cardinals, is the unquestioned top salary man in baseball since Ted Williams was recalled into service and Joe DiMaggio retired. His salary was estimated at $65,000, but unreportable sources set it at $69,000 — which still makes him the third highest salaried athlete.

Boros took over fourth place on the basis of his miracle in the $25,000 Tam O'Shanter "world" championship and in the U.S. Open. Three winnings on one included an estimated additional $25,000 from exhibitions, endorsements and a convenient with a sporting goods manufacturer.

Basketball's top earner is Goose Tatum, star of the Harlem Globe Trotters. His $25,000 is believed to be from $5,000 to $7,000 more than is earned by George Mikan, highest salaried player in the National Basketball Association.

JANE RUSSEL TOO

Hockey salaries on the whole do not approximate the $24,000 paid Maurice (The Rocket) Richard of the Montreal Canadiens. But the $7,000 minimum compares very favourably with other sports.

Graham, passing wizard of the Cleveland Browns, and Waterfield, ace of the Los Angeles Rams, $20,000. But big Bob probably wouldn't swap places with Arcaro. He may earn less money but he's got Jane Russel.

FOOTBALL RESULTS

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K. Saba Hap.	5	Haifa Mac.	3
Ahula Hap.	3	R. Sha'an Hap.	1
R. Gan Mac.	1	Tel Aviv Hap.	0
P'tom Hap.	3	Jaffa Mac.	0
R. Gan Hap.	2	Hadera Hap.	0
B't Mac. Youth	1	B't Hap. Youth	0

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The comedy in question is about engineer Cary Grant and his ever-loving wife Betsy Drake. Although they already have a smart set of kids, and Cary has to support his family from a fixed salary, Betsy has the bright idea of adopting two problem children, a girl and a paralysed boy. From a psychological point of view, this comedy situation is true to life and the acting of the problem-children is convincing. But the happy ending seems too good to be true.

Musical Comedy

"TEXAS Carnival" (Eden, Haifa) is an average musical comedy on too familiar lines, starring Esther Williams, Howard Keel, Red Skelton does his usual slapstick.

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10.30 a.m. Music While You Work, 11.00 Music of the People (R), 11.40 Miniature Concert (R), 12.00 Programme for Hannuka, 12.30 Concert Hall: Concerto for Piano and Orchestra No. 3 (Liszt); Symphony No. 4 (Sibelius); 1.40 Break for Music (R), 3.00 Close Down.

3.15 p.m. Greek Catholic Service, 4.00 Variety (R), 5.00 Violin Recital: Ilona Maksowova, 5.15 Ten Time Music (R), 5.30 Variety (R), 6.00 "Walls of Work," 6.45 Children's Hour, 7.00 Variety (R), 7.45 Programme Announcement, 7.50 Talk: Programme "The Golden Spinning Wheel"; Symphony No. 5, Hebrew Songs, 10.30 Recital (R), 10.50 Interlude, 11.30 Close Down.

SECOND PROGRAMME

491, 224, 214, 49.9 M.

English News 4.45 p.m., 10.15 p.m., Quartet 5.00 p.m., 5.30 p.m. Music for Sunday (R), 6.40 Short Concert, 7.40 Programme for Tomorrow, 8.30 Second Temple Period Literature, 8.50 Talk, 9.45 English Music, 9.55 Close Down.

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Lydda	34	13	27	26
Jerusalem	27	12	23	21
Beersheba	37	17	28	29
Tiberias	37	17	27	30

FORECAST:—Fair, with rising temperature.

*A: Humidity at 3 p.m. B: Maximum temp. C: Minimum, yesterday. D: Maximum temp. expected today.

Dr. Dov Joseph will deliver his monthly talk on Kol Yisrael tonight after the 8.30 news broadcast.

Intensive Hebrew language courses for adults will be started in all parts of Jerusalem, it was announced by the Ministry of Education yesterday. Registration for new students will continue until November 13 at the Ma'ale School, Rehov Hillel; Schatow School, 16 Rehov Strauss; Bet Hatarbut, Bak'a; Bet Hatarbut, Talpiot ma'abara and Bet Hakhinuch, Bet Mazmil.

The police station at Issara in the Western Negev has changed its name to Mavhoren.

A pamphlet, entitled "Four Years of the Israel Defence Army" has been published by the Public Relations Department of the Defence Ministry for use in schools.

A meeting of the Students' Organization of the Hebrew University has been called for Tuesday, at the Orion Cinema in Jerusalem to discuss the tuition strike now in progress.

Two Israeli citizens were arrested on Friday on arrowants in the s.s. Kedesh, a Turkish ship that left Haifa that day.

For concealing diamonds a jeweller, Yosef Futterman, 60, was fined IL.150 by the Tel Aviv Anti-Profiteering Court on Friday.

Two breaking into a grocery store in Tel Aviv and stealing a quantity of food and money in February, Ya'acov Omer was sentenced to 20 months in jail by the Tel Aviv District Court on Friday.

Cigarettes, tea and cognac valued at IL.100 were stolen from the shop of Julio Levinger in Beersheba on Friday.

Holon Hapoel Takes Basketball Match

POST Sports Editor

Holon Hapoel, the organization's basketball champions, beat Jerusalem Hapoel in the capital yesterday afternoon in a friendly basketball match, 63-36. Holon led 23-17 half way. Marosi and Fredi, both scored 20 points each for the winners, the former making 10 penalty hits out of 14.

Jerusalem Hapoel gained a good 3-0 win over Jaffa Maccabi in a League B (South) Israel Football Association match yesterday afternoon. They led 1-0 halftime. Zalman Menash and Fruchtman scored for Jerusalem.

In Haifa, the Aleph League game between Hapoel Haifa and Hapoel Rishon le-Zion was not held as the latter had been suspended last week. A dated was then registered against the Rishon le-Zion team. In the two other games, yesterday, Hapoel Haifa scored a win over Maccabi Haifa in an unofficial match by 6-1. The Christian Brotherhood team beat Hapoel Kiryat Haim 8 to 1 (6-0).

Navy Man Prepares For Channel Swim

HAIFA, Saturday. — A Navy man, Oded Paz, 19, swam almost 25 kms. from Naharlya to Haifa in 11 hours, 40 mins., in the stormy weather of last Thursday, and against heavy current. Chocolate, eggs, and coffee were fed him from an accompanying patrol boat.

He is training to swim the English Channel next summer. The channel swim is about 40 kms.

TABLE TENNIS TOURNEY

BEERSHEBA, Saturday. — A table tennis tournament for the Negev held here yesterday was won by Mr. Ephraim Shein, of Kibbutz Dorot, who was also the winner last year. The runner-up was Mr. Aron Florentine of Beersheba, Hapoel.

The doubles winner were Mr. Shein and Mr. Florentine, who beat Police Inspector Paz and Constable Moshe Kalmus in the finals.

RATION NEWS

JERUSALEM — Sausage for kitchens: 300 grams, coupon 7, IL.1.400 per kilo. Bananas Aleph, 500 grams, Kof 34, Bet, 200 grams, Taw 12, sizes 4. Polish, 400 grams, as coupon, temporary 16. Toilet soaps Aleph, one piece, temporary 25.

TEL AVIV — Clementines, 200 grams, coupons 1, 2, 13, 25, sizes 9-12. Bananas Gim, 300 grams per kilo. Bananas Aleph, 200 grams, Kof 34, Bet, 200 grams, Taw 12, sizes 9-12. Bananas Gim, Helem.

Israel Backward In Education—Dinaburg

Jerusalem POST Reporter

Israel is a backward nation as far as secondary education is concerned, Professor Ben Zion Dinaburg, Minister of Education, said at the Mapai-sponsored Jerusalem Forum at the Orion Cinema yesterday. He surveyed educational problems.

Emphasizing the quantitative success of compulsory elementary education, the Minister examined its qualitative success, which was in danger of being sacrificed through a shortage of trained personnel, lack of unity, and of agreement on the right principles for creating our school syllabus. Professor Dinaburg said that 500 unqualified teachers had passed a training course last year, and that the new College of Education at Bet Hakerem would raise the standard of the profession.

Neglect of higher education would mean, the Minister promised, but local authorities had to pull the weight financially. Although 1,000 University students came from Tel Aviv, the Municipality had not granted a single scholarship. The Ministry gave 700 stipends this year. The situation of higher technical education was a little better, he admitted, but although our institutions had trebled their capacity, Israel's student population was still a third of that in most modern states.

Mr. A. Reiss gave impressions of a recent visit to Yugoslavia, and a stimulating U.S. presidential election forecast by Mr. G. Agron, who presided, completed the meeting.

Quiet Weekend

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Police headquarters tonight reported a "very unusually quiet weekend" all over the country.

No serious crimes, accidents or traffic casualties were reported.

23,500 Cases Pending In Lower Courts

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — There are about 11,500 criminal files outstanding in Israel's Magistrate and District Courts, and about 12,000 pending traffic cases, it was authoritatively learned yesterday.

Of the former category there are 600 files dating back to 1950, 4,500 from 1951 and 6,670 from the current year. The traffic offence cases are an accumulation since the beginning of 1950.

The criminal files are composed of 1,200 capital offences (murder, manslaughter, assault and sexual crimes), 1,500 cases of offences against property, 1,700 contraventions of economic regulations, and the balance include all other offences.

C.I.D. personnel said that arrangements on bail awaiting trial were guilty of a considerable number of offences. They also said that the time lapse made conviction more difficult as testimony tended to become inaccurate.

The Courts' sessions only a part on the current programme as the Courts deal also with a backlog of civil and bloob matters commenced by the Ministry of Commerce.

Villager Jailed 18 Months For Shooting His Wife

Jerusalem Post Legal Correspondent

Salem Yahia Omri, 28, of Kfar Ahmadav, near Jerusalem, was convicted by the Jerusalem District Court on Friday of having shot and killed his wife in March, 1951. He was sentenced to 18 months in jail for manslaughter.

When the shot was heard in the village the accused rushed out of their hut and shouted, "My wife just shot herself!" He explained that she had been playing with the rifle he was about to take on guard duty.

When charged with murder, however, Omri admitted that she was shot while he handled the rifle, but stated that she had opened the safety catch.

The Court found that the accused had lied and contradicted himself, but policed and that the evidence given showed that relations between Omri and his wife had always been cordial. The Court concluded that Omri had forgotten to close the safety catch. When he later tested the gun, the shot killing his wife went off. The Court labelled his behaviour criminally negligent.

Judge Halevi, President of the District Court delivered the judgment, District Attorney E. Hadaya prosecuted and Mr. E. Tepperberg defended. The Court thanked the Defence for having appeared for the accused.

Masked Thugs Assault Two Tel Aviv Men

TEL AVIV, Saturday. — Three masked thugs assaulted Mr. Harris Michael, 29, of Jaffa, on his way home at one o'clock yesterday morning and, holding him up with a gun and a knife, stole his wrist watch, fountain pen and IL.15 in cash.

Later in the night, Mr. Mohammed Az, a Jaffa street cleaner, reported to the police that three masked men had overpowered him and stole IL.3 and some papers from him.

Fresh Water Found In 'Great Crater'

BEERSHEBA, Saturday. — A fresh water source has been discovered in the Great Crater (Ramon) by Mr. Mishael Haladeny, engineer of the Water Development Authority, and Mr. Gershon Hanegbi, foreman of Ein Yahav, during a combined inspection of the Crater.

Should the source be adequate for the needs of the prospective towns and transit camps of Yeruham, Mitzpe Ramon and Sayarim, water is to be piped from Beersheba by tankers of great size.

Tent Dwellers Move To Ma'bara Offices

Jerusalem POST Reporter

NATHANYA, Saturday. — Tent residents of the Bet Lidd ma'abara moved into the ma'abara offices, kindergarten and the youth club, immediately after last Thursday's rain.

On Friday morning, they were asked to leave by Jewish Agency personnel, but refused to move. Police who were summoned did not eject the squatters who said they would wait for proper accommodation in Bet Lidd and would not move to better housing in the vicinity as suggested by the Agency.

A Mapai-sponsored meeting which was scheduled in the ma'abara for today could not take place as crowds of the residents dispersed those who wanted to attend.

In the Nathanya camp, some immigrants also occupied their camp offices after the rain, but moved out shortly afterwards.

Damage in the ma'abarot from the final rains was light, but some huts collapsed in Shtiya, near Tel Aviv, early yesterday morning. Other tents in the ma'abara were washed.

The Jewish Agency Absorption Department and the Ministry of Labour will take no steps to relieve the inhabitants of Mishya and Bat Lid, because there are houses waiting for them.

Rain Washes Away Tents in Jordan

A heavy downpour on Thursday and Friday washed away hundreds of tents and left many refugees without shelter in northern Jordan and nearby Irbid village, "A-Diffa," the Old City daily, reports.

Police and UNRWA officials evacuated women and children from the flooded camps to nearby mosques and schools. Fifteen refugees were taken by Arab Legion ambulances to an Amman hospital, the paper says.

Ma'barot Parents Told To Educate Children

A plea to parents to see that their children receive elementary education as a means of preventing juvenile delinquency was voiced on Friday by Mr. Arieh Klapper, Deputy Police Superintendent of the Jerusalem District.

More than 300 members of the Talpiot ma'abara were present in the latest of a series of lectures by Police to Jerusalemites and residents of the corridor. *(Ilim)*

Bomb Blinds Ma'bara Man, Wounds Wife

HAIFA, Saturday. — A bomb used to kill fish, blinded Baruchi Jarbi Mammon and his wife Talbe Jamilia at his hut at the Agrobank ma'abara at 20.30 this morning. Baruchi also lost an arm.

They were both taken to the Rothschild Hospital here. The condition of both is serious.

Jerusalem Shoe Plant Curtails Operations

Operations at the Jerusalem Shoe Company are to be curtailed today, it was learned in Jerusalem yesterday.

More than 300 employees will not work, and only 150 are scheduled to work tomorrow and Tuesday. The situation resulted from a shortage of raw materials.

Power to Be Cut In Jerusalem Areas

Power interruptions will be felt in some sections of Rehavia, Kiryat Shmuel, and Nahlat Ahim today and tomorrow because of the poor conditions of the equipment, it was reported yesterday by the Jerusalem Electric and Public Service Corporation.

Large quantities of black market food, including 30 kgs. of sausage, 40 chicks and a number of turkeys have been seized in Ramle. An ox and a half ton of tomatoes were found in Gan Yavneh on Friday by the Food Control Inspectors. Three persons were detained.

12 Communists In Nazareth Remanded

Jerusalem POST Reporter

NAZARETH, Saturday. — Following a street clash in which three brothers were stabbed, Magistrate Aziz Jarjura on Friday remanded 12 Nazareth street cleaners and other members of the Communist Trade Union Congress on attempted murder charges.

Said Sabbah, who was seriously injured, and his brothers Saleh and Ahmed, are now in Edinburgh Mission Hospital here as the result of a fight last Wednesday. They were among those replacing the striking Municipal dustmen.

Dustmen Demand Recognition

The scavengers are demanding recognition of the Congress as the representative of nine Municipal clerks. Six others withdrew from the organization lately. The Municipal Council will consider separately the right of each of the six to return to work, it was learned.

The Union of Greek Catholic organizations here has issued a leaflet in which it condemns the Communists as the cause of the present tension in Nazareth.

The leaflet also alleges that the present situation is proof of Communist influence in the investigation of the Wasiffyeh Orphanage, a Greek Catholic institution. As the result of the investigation, the matron has been brought to trial on charges of cruelty to her wards.

Goat Baffles Police

RAMLE, Saturday.—The mystery of a goat found buried in the Be'er Ya'acov cemetery was solved this week, but police here are baffled as to what to do about it.

Simcha Lechtzet, in immigrant from Irbid allegedly told the authorities he had buried the goat in accordance with a Jewish religious practice in his country of origin that a first born animal dying a natural death must be interred.

The Local Burial Society asked for the exhumation of the carcass and the detention of the man.

A Tripolitanian Rabbi will be consulted on the question.

GOV'T TO DEVELOP JAFFA PORT

Development projects for the improvement of Jaffa Port will begin this week following the transference of the port from the Marine Trust Company, Ltd., to the Ministry of Communications, Ministry sources announced in Jerusalem on Friday. Dredging of the anchorage area and repair and expansion of the storerooms for the citrus export season, are first on the list, it was said.

An agreement has been reached between the management of the Port and the Tel Aviv Workers Council whereby some 350 workers will be transferred from the Tel Aviv port to Jaffa.

Two Prison Riots Quelled In U.S.

COLUMBUS, OHIO, Saturday (Reuter).—850 National Guardsmen stood-by here today to quell any new disturbances in the Ohio State Penitentiary after 1,000 convicts rioting for six hours, battered and fired the jail.

The century old penitentiary with eight buildings destroyed or seriously damaged cannot cope now with all of its 4,658 inmates. The mutineers, who said they did not like their food, started chain fires and smashed furnishings and equipment to pieces.

Screaming convicts armed with meat cleavers, sharpened spoons, files and knives smashed windows and anything they could lay their hands on, pressing back the 35 guards present at the time. One man, a policeman, was slightly wounded in the head by a guard who took him for an escaping convict.

Another convict, at the Missouri State prison in Jefferson City, rioted after four days rioting in which fourteen had been wounded, as hostages.

Governor Lloyd Stevenson immediately ordered an investigation into the disorders. The convicts ended their rebellion following an ultimatum bordered over the prison's public address system.

Israel's Neighbours To Build Border Forts

Jordan, Syria and the Lebanon are to build "secret fortifications along the Armistice lines in an effort to stop illegal crossings by Israelis," NEARa reports. Patrol and other joint activities are also to be increased.

The decision follows talks between Major Mohammed Ishak, Jordan's senior delegate to the Mixed Armistice Commission and other M.A.C. delegates in Beirut and Damascus.

Lebanon Adds More To Military Budget

The Lebanese Cabinet has decided to add an additional IL.2m. to the allocation for purchases of equipment for the Lebanese army and security forces, ANA reported yesterday from Beirut.

Anglo-Jordan Money Talks Arranged

Negotiations on the Anglo-Jordanian financial treaty of 1951 are to begin soon, it was reported by NEARS yesterday. The discussions will mainly concern the problems created by the termination of the British Mandate.

The £1.5m. loan granted to Jordan by Britain 18 months ago is a gift, England has stated. ANA reports from Amman.

NATO.—Allied H.Q. for Central Europe announced yesterday the appointment of Brigadier General Dudley Hale, American commander-in-chief, as Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Training.

Cables in Brief

DEAD.—Alexander Anderson, Sandhu, leading expert in cattle-plague and leading authority on rinderpest, died yesterday, aged 81. He was a founder of the Edinburgh Scottish.

EARTHQUAKE.—Leading French subterranean, including Jean Paul Sartre, joined a protest yesterday at proposed U.S. experiments, involving explosions of atomic bombs, in the Pacific.

FIRE.—Fire which broke out yesterday at the Lisi Maccaroni factory in Rome, destroyed the whole factory and its contents, including 1,000 tons of flour, and caused damage estimated at 1,000,000,000 lire. Fifty people were rendered homeless by the fire.

ESCAPE.—Seven prisoners escaped from the Gezi at El Lavorante, Rio, who are in trouble, but two were had broken arms.

CYPRUS.—An electricity authority, like the time of the British administration, has been set up in Cyprus.

LIBYA.—British Government departments have refused special leave for all employees who have been invited to visit Libya for the anniversary celebrations of the Russian Revolution in Moscow this month.

RELEASE.—Lieutenant William L. Somebreaker, American officer in Germany, missing since last Sunday, was released by Soviet authorities on Friday night. He had been arrested by Soviet Military Police and held at Karlshorst, Soviet Control Commission H.Q.

MISSION.—A 35-man Buddhist mission of goodwill visitors left Rangoon by air yesterday for Iraq, Thailand and Indonesia.

POLE.—A specially equipped plane will make an exploratory flight over the North Pole route on November 23 to try out a regular commercial service for polar travel between Los Angeles and Europe. It was announced in New York.

U.S. Cuts 1953 Military Budget

WASHINGTON, Saturday (Reuter). — A cut of at least $3,300m. on present spending is expected in the military budget for the 1953 fiscal year which begins in July, Defence Department officials said yesterday. They said the budget would total between $40,000m. and $41,000m.

Basic military appropriations granted by Congress for the current financial year was $44,304m. — $4,000m. less than the amount requested by President Truman.

This basic figure, however, would be increased later by thousands of millions of dollars to cover such items as military building, foreign aid, atomic energy development and atomic weapons programmes and other contingencies.

WAR GAMES IN SUEZ

FAYID, Suez Canal Zone, Saturday (Reuter). — The British military authorities announced here today that the Army and Royal Air Force in the Suez Canal Zone will hold a joint exercise between Monday and next Sunday.

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Communists Blamed For Australian Clashes

MELBOURNE, Saturday (Reuter). — Immigration Minister Harold Holt said yesterday he had known for some time that Communists were attempting agitation among workless Italians in Australia.

He was commenting on Thursday's clashes in Sydney between police and unemployed Italians and said he had recently told Prime Minister Robert Menzies that incidents were likely. Mr. Holt denied that the Australian Government had contracted to employ unskilled Italians and then abandoned them.

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SOPHIE BROWN, sister and the families Hoenigsberg, Tel Aviv, Brown and Feuermann in New York.

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THE study of history is designed to teach man both the transience and the importance of human life; and the harsh truth that we cannot always tread the road we make, nor hope to shelter beneath the tree whose seed we plant. But it teaches us too that the generation which comes after us shall probably walk upon it and take its ease in the shade which we provided.

AFTER THIRTY-FIVE YEARS

But once in a millennium a generation is blessed with the satisfaction of themselves reaping what they have sown. It was only 35 years ago — but half a human lifetime — that the Balfour Declaration heralded the possibility of a restored Jewish Commonwealth in the Land of Israel. It was a carefully worded document, made even more cautious by the intervention of timid assimilationist Jews who influenced the alteration of the text from "A national home of Palestine" to "in Palestine." This fear of the future which possessed these timorous spirits gave birth to misunderstanding and equivocation and provided a quasi-legal basis for the later closing of the doors of the Homeland and so-dooming myriads of Jews to the gas chambers and furnaces.

All these bitternesses are now in the past. On November 2, 1917 the Jewish people lifted up its eyes and set its feet steadfastly upon the path to nationhood. "Bliss was it in that dawn to be alive, but to be young was very heaven." Few of the young leaders who bore the heat and dust of the conflict during the next thirty years expected to see the attainment of their goal in their lifetime. They set themselves to build — grimly, patiently, earnestly, to acquire land dunam by dunam, to build brick by brick, to make sure and sound beginnings and leave the rest to the logic of events.

The thirty five years are a record of achievement and tragedy, of rejoicing and suffering, such as few people have ever known. But it all added up to building a nation. Who, for example, could have foreseen that, when Jewish labour in 1920 founded the A. dut Ha-avodah at Petah Tikvah, it would grow into a mighty workers' party which one day would set the tone in an independent Israel. In the summer of 1920 the same workers organized their first works co-operative, obtained their first government contracts from the British authorities and probably did not know they were building the Solel Boneh. When Hadassah began its first medical services at the same time they would have smiled if they were told that in a generation they would be seeking devolution to no less an authority than the Government of Israel itself. In the growth to prosperity of the young poverty-and malaria-ridden kibbutz movement, in every department of the life of the Yishuv, the individual melodies of effort swelled into the great symphony of attained Statehood of a tempo we can still scarcely credit. Through the dark nightmare of the Hitler massacres our dream of freedom never ceased to fortify us, until as people we stride a few years ago to the dawn of independence.

And yet, such is the nature of man, that as this Balfour Declaration anniversary comes around year after year it finds us just inclined to look back. The past has in this one thing been kind to us. It has given us sure foundations, it has given us more, a knowledge of our own powers and a confidence in them. But it has also burdened us with a heritage of complex problems. In some senses the future holds more for us than the past — more to fight for, more to win. The reality of the State is not the golden glory of our dreams of ReOmes we had to try to make reality out of our dreams. Now we look forward to the time when we shall realize new dreams out of the reality of the sobering present. When we were working for Statehood we could each, for example, escape from the political and international issues of the day with the assurance that the problems of Jewry alone were sufficient for one lifetime's efforts. Today in a State the world's troubles immediately come too.

Mapai and Progressive Units to Meet Today

Mapai's political committee is scheduled to meet in Jerusalem this morning to discuss the political situation, particularly the recent negotiations with the Progressives.

In the afternoon, the Progressives' political committee will confer in Tel Aviv on the negotiations. If the Committee decides to accept Mapai's proposals, a meeting of the party's executive and council will be called.

The Cabinet will hold its regular meeting this afternoon to complete discussions on the [illegible] the Prime Minister is to make [illegible] the Knesset.

U.S. ELECTION REPORT From Jesse Zel Lurie
Definite Trend to Stevenson

NEW YORK, Oct. 31.—

THERE is being written 10 days before the American voters go to the polls to choose the man, who barring an act of God, will be the Chief Executive of this nation, and probably of the Western World, for the next four years.

Remembering the fate that befell pre-farm voters in 1948 and the inaccuracies of the public opinion polls, none of the experts has ventured a flat prediction of the outcome at this early date. Owing to the vagaries of the trans-Atlantic mails, this will be my last letter to reach you before Nov.4. If I'm going to make a prediction, I must do it now. As I am no expert, I have no reputation to protect — so here goes. I say it will be Stevenson.

This is not just wishful thinking. I have confessed a prediction for Stevenson ever since the night of his nomination when my wife woke me at three in the morning. (I had slept through the lengthy balloting in the easy chair) to listen to the governor's acceptance speech. Prior to that moment, Stevenson was just a name to me and 150,000,000 other Americans.

'People Wise'

In that pre-dawn hour, those of us who were listening heard him lay the basis for his campaign: "Let's talk sense to the American people," he said. "Let's tell them the truth, that there are no gains without pains, that we are now on the eve of great decisions, not easy decisions. The people are wise — wiser than the Republicans think."

At one moment he won over a majority of the listening newspaperman who were fed up with the stale oratory of the convention speakers. From then on, he won over more and more Americans with his sharp, incisive, witty "talking sense" against an opponent whose five-pointed addresses have become a joke in his press car: "A wave, a smile and the three K'S—Kommunism, Korruption and Korea."

Changed Minds

But his opponent was a national hero and Stevenson's face and name were unknown. Four weeks ago, midwest farmers polled by the Alsop Brothers were not sure whether the name was Stevens or something like it. For Stevenson, this campaign has been a problem of communications. If he had more time, if the elections were held on Hanukah, Mr. Gallup would not be afraid to predict a landslide.

The trend to Stevenson, however, can already be plainly seen. "Switch to Stevenson" clubs are being formed all over the country. No Stevenson supporter has switched the other way. Some of the notables who have changed their minds are Republican Senator Wayne Morse of Oregon, who couldn't stomach Eisenhower's embrace of McCarthy, and film stars Humphrey Bogart and Lauren Bacall who led a rally for Eisenhower in Madison Square Garden before the nominations.

'Times' Reports

The New York Times endorsed Eisenhower before the Democratic convention picked its nominee and has since published several editorials regretting the Republican candidate's actions. But yesterday the "Times" reaffirmed its endorsement and today it was inundated with letters of protest from disillusioned readers. Two local business men took a seven column ad in today's Times to express their "deep affection" for the paper and their sorrow at its "grievous error." They ask their favorite newspaper "to reassert its leadership of national opinion, reverse its stand, and do the decent, right and moral thing in a time of national crisis."

The Times editorial writers know that it is backing a losing candidate. Unlike the provincial papers, the vast majority of which are Republican, the "Times" and its competitor, the Republican "Herald-Tribune," are scrupulously fair in their news columns. Already, a week ago, the trend to Stevenson became evident to "Times" correspondents throughout the country. It headlined a full-page report from all 48 states this way: "Survey Sees Stevenson Gain With Outcome Still Uncertain." Of course, the outcome is uncertain, but the trend is there and in the closing days of the campaign it will gain momentum.

Gallup, who was predicting a Dewey landslide about this time in 1948, puts Ike about five points ahead but won't make any predictions he will maintain the lead. But when Gallup's men ask "which party" they want to win, omitting the candidate's name, the Republicans run two to five points behind. These are the voters who show basic conflicts. They say they will vote for the familiar name, the national hero, but when they get inside the voting booth, where only God can observe their actions, they will turn, as they did in 1948, to the party which has produced their best interests.

To sum up (like Pilate) in one sentence: "there are more poor people than rich people and they are "wiser than the Republicans think." That's why Stevenson will win.

HEAVY SERVICE VOTE EXPECTED

Members of the U.S. armed forces in many parts of the world have already voted for Adlai Stevenson or Dwight Eisenhower. In what numbers servicemen are voting won't be known until well after the election.

However, there are some indications that voting by servicemen, whether at home or abroad, will be heavy. Requests for absentee ballots are coming in much greater volume than they did in 1944 or 1948. (JANA)

NATURE NOTES

Mechanical Toy

THIS air above Israel is filled with migrants' wingbeats almost the year round, but October is the busiest time, when most of our summer breeders leave, and most of our winter visitors arrive. They don't come at the same date exactly each year. Sometimes they are late, and one of the most numerous and delightful little birds that brighten the rainy season came only on October 17 this year. This bewitching little fairy is the pied wagtail (Motacilla alba — nahlieli, in Hebrew), a dainty vision in grey, white, and black, each feather always just so, with a singular clockwork gait — a little rush, slowing down, and again the mincing patter of the little feet. The flight is distinctive too — dipping low after every few wingbeats, yet very fast.

The wagtails are on the ground most of the time, running along the roads, the freshly turned garden beds, the ploughed fields, preferably where there is fresh manure offering both worms and grain. At evening they will sit on the telephone wires in groups, twittering their "ziti-zista" (their name in Arabic!), and then they remind you of swallows because of their long tails and somewhat similar colouring, though in other situations there is no resemblance.

In Europe the pied wagtail is a very shy bird, found usually near shallow mountain streams, but here in the built-up areas, only running off a few steps at the close approach of man, without troubling to rise. He has even honoured me by coming up the nervous steps and entering my kitchen.

P. A.

Flood Precautions In Wadi Musrara

TEL AVIV. —

THE notorious Wadi Musrara has had its face lifted in preparation for the rainy season. Municipal engineers doubt, however, whether the operation will prove effective.

The job, which is to be completed within a fortnight, will cost the Municipal Treasury both by roughly IL.300,000. The semi-circular bend of the wadi opposite the Ezra quarter, the Southernmost point of the wadi's floods last winter, has been filled with earth and a straight streamlined bed for the water-flow dug in its place. The new canal is 300 metres long, and should the water overflow its banks, it will not undermine the foundations of the houses built just over the old, now non-existent, bank of the wadi. The residents of these houses have watched with pleasure the huge caterpillars at work for the last six weeks: the cracked walls of their houses are a constant reminder of the waters dangers.

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Further north precisely the same thing has been done opposite the Hatikva Quarter, where a 200 metre channel has been dug to divert the wadi away from the dilapidated houses on its old banks.

Still further north a dangerous area stretches for one kilometre from the Shenkin bridge to the point of intersection between the wadi and the continuation of Rehov Disengoff. There the wadi had to be cleared of bushes, branches, junk of all sorts and thick unyielding mud. Of this kilometre, only about 900 metres will be cleared before the rains come; the area near the Shenkin bridge, which has already been cleared, and another section at the northern end, where the wadi flows past the Montefiore Quarter, which is densely populated and suffered a great deal last year from floods.

Still further on, the wadi bed under the as-called Ramat Gan bridge has been cleared. This whole vicinity was flooded repeatedly last winter, causing stoppages on the heavily trafficked Tel Aviv-Jaffa Tiberias road. Thus out of a total distance of about eight kilometres, which is the part of the wadi within the Tel Aviv Municipal boundaries, only about one kilometre has been cleared.

The whole job, which had been termed by Municipal councillors at the time of the work's approval as a "palliative," also includes the construction of a dike along the western side of the wadi opposite the Montefiore Quarter. This, Municipal engineers say, will be done next year, after the settling of the ground following the rains.

As for the effectiveness of the measure, authorities say that the wadi is in most parts still much to narrow and its bed much too high to absorb waters as the Jerusalem area.

'No Funds'

Everything depends, of course, on the rains. If a prolonged rain should coincide with a stormy sea, there will be floods caused by a backing up of the Hayarkon waters as a result of the rise (sometimes as much as two metres) in the sea level. Last year's rains were the most bountiful in recorded history, (which is 17 years, according to the Municipality). If this year proves to be another record-breaker, there will again be floods. In spite of the pre-cautionary measures.

Experts agree that the flow of the Wadi should have been redirected just south of the Ezra quarter, in a direct line to the sea, with a tunnel dug under Jaffa. Such a job would have cost IL.1m. which compared to the IL.1m. damage caused last year, does not seem exorbitant. The Municipality, however, pleads the customary "No funds." Should the larger project ever be executed, however, the money put into the present work will not have been wasted if the plan to construct a cross-city railway line, connecting the northern station with the Lydda line, is executed. This line, according to present plans, will run along the bottom of the old wadi bed.

Men and Things

VISITORS to the British Motor Show may spot a certain car, spottily built in private order, but which can be obtained in replica. For customers of those "26 h.p. straight-eights" the price is £4500, plus £1,766.5.0. 7% purchase tax. Add, of course, the twopence for the cheque, and one does a good turn to commerce, to industry, and the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

It is very noticeable that the vast majority of motorists nowadays have cars whose horse-power can by no means be classified by the number 26, although that is probably a fair pointer to the year of manufacture. Their full maturity may be marked by some loss of powers; but weaknesses in ears, as amongst friends, are often endearing. There will have come a richness of sound effects, except possibly that the horn is lethargic at tricky moments. Yet the driver of these — a jollopian as he might be called — merits approval, and not only from the Department of Antiquities. For he does maintain a means of transport, with some anxiety, and so far as petrol permits. Hence, regaining his boyhood's figure by an all-in routine with the starting handle, or delicately removing oil and carbon from an eroded sparking plug with his wife's nail file, he is entitled to the thought that perhaps it is not altogether satisfactory, the world being as it is today, that some folk should be able to lay down £3,000 for extras, in speed, comfort, and glitter.

W.I.E.

Readers' Letters

YEAR'S WORK ON THE LAND

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — As a member of the second group of "Shnat Sherut" at Nizzanim, I read Mr. Finkelstein's article (Oct. 19) on the group at Tel Yitshak with the greatest regret. I have the pleasure of knowing every member of the group there and I feel that their opinions are in no way reflected by Mr. Finkelstein. His facts may be correct but they represent only half the story.

Shnat Sherut is not meant to be a holiday, and people joining the scheme were told that they would be expected to work hard. And the pioneering would be fun. Things are not so grim, however. When we arrived here we were all once given seven days' leave to visit our relatives and have a "look round. We joined the first group, who had already been here seven months and were satisfied with conditions.

After some weeks of general work, I was trained in milking and looking after sheep, and represented Nizzanim in a group at the sheep-shearing of 14 settlements in the south. It was a memorable tour despite the hard work. Not everyone was so lucky, but wherever we proved ourselves willing workers, we were treated with due respect by the members of the kibbutz. What we must understand is that where we are willing to give a year's work they are devoting their whole lives.

In June three of our group were sent for a 10-day seminar in Hebrew—a series of economic lectures, and all were able to follow them. In August we went on a five-day tour of Galilee. In two weeks' time (the kibbutz is allowing a two-day trip to Beersheba. On November 10 we are going for a two-week seminar in Jerusalem, in English. Finally the kibbutz is allowing us another seven days to visit our relatives before we leave.

We find that our Hebrew classes have equipped us with a working knowledge of Hebrew, provided we make some effort to speak the language. We at Nizzanim also feel the lack of cultural activities and would be glad if our would-be lecturers were not so frequently overtaken by sudden misfortunes. Altogether, I think that the duty of showing us around should not fall on the kibbutz but on various organizations dealing with young people. Perhaps managers of industrial concerns would organize a conducted tour of their premises, and theatres or organizers of cultural events would occasionally send us some tickets for their performances.

From the second Shnat Sherut group of 31 eight have decided to stay in Israel. Two have married Nizzanim, the remainder have found or are looking for jobs in town. Of the rest, one boy, Kenny Mount, died from an attack of polio, despite skilled medical attention. Another boy is undergoing training as a youth movement leader in Jerusalem and one was sent back to England before the end of the year because he was unsuitable. Of the remaining 18 persons who will return to England, three have decided to come back shortly and settle here.

While it is true that among the three groups there are some who cannot or will not make the grade, the system of selection for future groups has been rigidly overhauled. A fourth group is now undergoing a two-month hachshara in France.

Finally I would like to say that, with the good work being done both here and abroad, the "Year's Pilgrimage" may well become a valuable factor in Western Aliyah.

Yours etc.,
LEO ALTMAN

REFRIGERATORS

To the Editor of The POST

Sir, — As a tourist in Israel last year, I learned of the serious lack of domestic refrigerators. After my return to the States, I asked the Israel Consulate for the necessary import licences to ship several refrigerators to long-time resident friends and relatives in Israel.

I was advised that I had two alternatives; to purchase a new Philco refrigerator for about $400; or to purchase a reconditioned refrigerator for about $280, either item to be furnished from factory stock in Israel.

Now, I am not in a position to spend $1,200 or even $720 to provide three families with refrigerators. But I can buy good used refrigerators, with long life expectancy, for $50 or less, and they can be shipped at a reasonable cost.

Granted the customs-duty and luxury-tax dollars received by the Government will be considerably less than on a new refrigerator, but more residents will actually receive refrigerators, and the final result will be greater dollar income for the Government. Under the present restrictions, only a small percentage of families actually obtain refrigerators.

Furthermore, I fail to understand why new immigrants should be able to obtain refrigerators on the terms I suggest, but the same privilege is denied to those who have been residents for more than one year.

I respectfully submit that the present policy causes unnecessary hardship for many residents of Israel, who would otherwise more easily obtain refrigerators from friends and relatives in the States and elsewhere.

Yours, etc.,
BERA SCHACHT

Houston, Texas, October 26.

MUSICAL DIARY

FROM the very first Kol Yisrael Tuesday night concert under its new permanent conductor, George Singer, one could feel the animation of a full-blooded musician, even if the programme were less new. The last concert was a highly enjoyable affair right from the dynamic opening with Beethoven's Prometheus overture. The orchestra was even more sound in the same composer's Piano Concerto No. 3 in C-minor, presenting Gerti Reiner (from Haifa) as the soloist. The dialogue character was well chiselled, with fine passage-work and a pleasing performance in the solopart. The conductor appeared very much at home with Smetana's "From Bohemia's Meadows and Forests."

But the most striking feature was the world-premiere of Mark Lavry's symphonic poem: "Kinneret," like a counterpart to his popular "Emek." The instrumental paraphrasing has texture, modulation and appropriate invention. The performance was stimulating.

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"COLLEGIUM MUSICUM"

The "Collegium Musicum," founded by the Tel Aviv Chamber Choir, has made arrangements for the performance of four subscription concerts during the current season at the Beth Hahalutsot Hall in Tel Aviv, starting in November.

The concerts will be rendered by a selected vocal ensemble of the Chamber Choir, well-known instrumentalists and the following soloists: Annetta Joel-Brun, Lotte Laufer, Josefa Schocken, Shoshan (soprano), Maria Budai, Edith Goldschmidt (alto), David Halpern, Pinhas Hollaender (tenor) and Jehoshua Sohar, Bezalel Shari (bass). Eitan' Lustig will be the conductor.

The programmes are planned as follows: a Bach evening; one concert of English music; one of old Italian music; and a Purim programme of classical and modern music. The representation of the following works is also under consideration: "Rabat Maier" by d'Astorga, concert performance of Mozart's "Bastien and Bastienne," and a performance of Monotti's "The Telephone." Mo.

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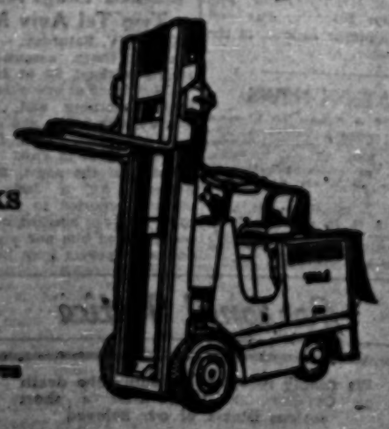
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